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CDC information meeting

The Fort Huachuca Child and Youth Services will hold an open community forum to address the courtyard and playground equipment issue.

The meeting will be held today at 6 p.m. at the Boots and Saddle Room at La Hacienda.

Col. Lawrence Portouw, Dan Valle and Heidi Malarchik and other community health experts will answer questions related to the treated wood products in the courtyards and playgrounds.

All parents are invited to attend this meeting and it will be followed by a question and answer period.

Child care will not be provided; however parents are welcome to bring their chil-

For more information or questions, call Malarchik at 533-5209 or e-mail at heidi.malarchik@hua.army.mil.

AER kickoff luncheon

Tickets still are available for the 2003 Army Emergency Relief Campaign kickoff luncheon 11:30 a.m., Friday at the LakeSide Community Centre.

Tickets, which are not available at the door, cost \$8.50 and are available from unit AER campaign representatives or by calling the post AER Campaign coordinator Sgt. 1st Class Peter Gross at 533-6608.

This year's AER campaign runs from Saturday to May 15. Its theme is "Helping the Army Take Care of its Own."

If you or your family have benefited by AER and you'd like to share your story please contact The Scout staff at 533-1987/2622.

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Raymond W. Bliss Army Health Center has hired two additional Family Practice doctors. These doctors will be working in the Department of Primary Care (Pediatrics and Adult Family Care). Find out more what's going on at the center. Page 7

IMA insignia to be worn, garrison mission remains same

BY SGT. 1ST CLASS DONALD SPARKS

NCOIC, USAIC&FH PAO

Effective Saturday, all military members of the Installation Management Agency will begin to wear the IMA shoulder sleeve insignia patch and distinctive unit insignia crest.

This applies to Fort

Huachuca as well as garrisons on all Army installations worldwide in accordance with the Secretary of the Army's General Order #4.

However because of stock unavailability, Fort Huachuca soldiers will have to wait until March before patches and crests are available for issue.

"We're currently working

with AAFES and Clothing and Sales to procure these items for our soldiers here," said Command Sgt. Maj. Robert Voss, U.S. Army Garrison sergeant major.

Voss added when the stock is available, soldiers who fall under the IMA umbrella will be issued four unit patches, three crests and a voucher to

get their patches sewed on free of charge.

IMA, activated last October, stands at the center of the Army's Transformation of Installation Management initiative to mold Army base operations into a more corporate structure. Its focus is efficient,

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IMA shoulder patch



Poet and storyteller Tureeda Mikell entrances the audience at LaHacienda during her performance.

'Souls of Black Folk'

Fort observes African American/Black History Month

BY SGT. 1ST CLASS DONALD SPARKS

NCOIC, USAIC&FH PAO

If the audience gathered at the LaHacienda for the fort's African American/Black History Month celebration resembled children in a

library it was easily understood why.

The audience was held spellbound and captive as renowned storyteller, poet and writer Tureeda Mikell shared inspiring stories of the African American experience. She was the keynote

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Latest Stop-Loss freezes soldiers in deploying units, Korea duty tour extended

BY JOE BURLAS ARMY NEWS SERVICE

Mirroring the Reserve-Component Stop-Loss measure designed to keep deploying units manned with soldiers who have trained and worked together as a team, the Army is implementing a unit stop-loss for the active force.

Assistant Secretary of the Army (Manpower and Reserve Affairs) Reginald J. Brown approved this latest of eight stop-loss measures Feb.

The initiative is targeted for selected units that have already deployed or have been alerted for deployment into the U.S. Central Command area of responsibility.

"This new policy supports the stability and strengthens unit cohesiveness and teamwork of deploying AC forces and will bolster the trust and confidence of our soldiers as they prepare to deploy," said Lt. Gen. John M. Le Moyne, G1.

The Army is also extending current tours in Korea by 90 days in order to keep the force there fully

With the exception of the RC stoploss announcement, previous measures targeted soldiers with specific skills in which Army faced a potential shortage.

The skill-based Stop Loss has kept soldiers from voluntarily separating from the Army for a 12-month pe-

The new AC unit Stop-Loss policy is currently open-ended, an official said, and is expected to be lifted when the Combatant Commands recommend the Army lift it based on stability of the operational environment.

The AC Unit Stop-Loss impacts soldiers when their unit is alerted for deployment into the CENTCOM AOR unless one of the following conditions apply:

• The soldier is within 14 days of an approved separation date and from the effective date of AC unit stop loss.

• The soldier is already on terminal leave with an approved separation date.

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PAO staff earns DA, TRADOC awards

SCOUT REPORTS

The Fort Huachuca Public Affairs Office won first place in the 2002 Community Relations Award of Excellence in the Special Events category.

Virginia Sciarrano, community relations officer, spearheaded the fort's "United in Freedom" celebration with the Sierra Vista community last September.

In the U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command's Keith L. Ware Journalism competition, Sgt. 1st Class Donald Sparks won first place, senior-level writing; Staff Sgt. Sharron Stewart was second place, commentaries; and Sgt. Jessica Inigo finished honorable mention in feature articles.

ABC-TV spotlights people of U.S. Armed Forces

JIM GARAMONE

AMERICAN FORCES PRESS SERVICE

The men and women who make up America's military will be featured on an ABC-TV production entitled "Profiles from the Front Line" beginning tonight.

The series will run at 8 p.m. EST Thursdays through April 6.

The Defense Department gave the producers of the show access to operations in Afghanistan and around the world. The show is part of ABC's entertainment division. ABC News did not participate.

"Profiles" is cast as a "reality" show, but it's not a "Survivor: Afghanistan." There are no contrived situations, contests or actors.

"These are real people, doing real missions in a real war," said Vicente Ogilvie, deputy special assistant for entertainment media in the Office of was waged on the ground by less

the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Public Affairs.

The show also places a spotlight on America's "shadow warriors"—special operations forces.

Defense officials said they cannot remember the last time any group was given such access to the world of special operations.

Special operations forces are called "shadow warriors" for a reason: They try not to garner attention. They feel working in the shadows helps them accomplish their missions.

While the coalition bombing of Afghanistan helped the Northern Alliance at the beginning of the conflict in the country in October 2001, only when special operations forces arrived on the ground did the tide turn against the Taliban.

"The fight to topple the Taliban

than 500 Special Forces personnel," Marshall Billingslea, principal deputy assistant defense secretary for special operations and low-intensity conflict, said Oct. 16, 2002. "They mounted an unconventional warfare effort tied closely to indigenous forces and linked with the United States Air Force in a way that provided for a rapid and crushing defeat of the Taliban's conventional forces."

Hollywood producer Jerry Bruckheimer, who did the movies "Black Hawk Down" and "Pearl Harbor," and the television show "CSI: Crime Scene Investigation," is the executive producer of the profile series.

His group sent teams of producers and cameramen to the front lines of the war on terrorism.

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Fist full of life

Spc. Christoper Mielke, Company E, 309th Military Intelligence Battalion donates blood at the American Red Cross blood drive held Feb. 19. See related story and photos on page 3.

Dental Assisting continues to diversify and expand. Whether working at chairside with the dentist, taking x-rays, or setting up a field dental clinic, dental assistants are vital to the success of every dental prac-

Dental Assistants Recognition Week, scheduled March 2-8 is a week-long tribute to the commitment and dedication that both military and civilian dental assistants exhibit throughout the year.

"United by Excellence...Linked by Pride" is the theme for the 26 annual Dental Assistants Recognition Week: time for dental assistants to receive greater recognition for their own unique and diverse contributions to the dental profession and the dental health care of the public and military.

The Army injected some camouflage into the American Dental Assistants Association and formed a partnership that provides educational opportunities to the Army's dental assistants and enhance the personal and professional relationships between dental assistants everywhere. In March 2002 more than 2,000 educational and membership packets were mailed out to Army dental as-

sistants worldwide. Our Army dental assistants are proud to be part of the American Dental Assistants Association.

To support the Army's dental needs, there are 1,300plus Army dental assistants and more than 1,000 civilian and contract dental assistants staffing 172 clinics and supporting operations throughout the world when called upon. Army dental assistants are trained to perform their duties in state of the art facilities as well as austere field conditions. They are assigned to Dental Activities, Combat Support Hospitals, and Special Forces, Infantry and Airborne units throughout the Army. Army dental assistants are currently supporting operations in Afghanistan, Bosnia, Kosovo, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Egypt, Korea, Japan, Europe and Central America.

The U.S. Army Dental Command and the Army Dental Care System is both proud and excited to be a part of the American Dental Assistants Association and looks forward to a continued professional relationship for years to come.

Dental Assistants Recognition Week is sponsored by the ADAA, DENCOM, American Dental Association, the Canadian Dental Association and the Canadian Dental Assistants Association.

> Col. Mark N. McDonald, Commander, USA DENTAC, Fort Huachuca



CHAPLAIN (MAJ.) DENNIS R. NITSCHKE

NETCOM, DEPUTY COMMAND CHAPLAIN

"War is an ugly thing, but not the ugliest of things; the decaying and degraded state of moral and patriotic feeling which thinks nothing worth a war, is worse." - John Stuart Mill

The possibility of war continues to loom before our country - and nowhere is it felt more than by those in the military, as well as those who support them as civilians and especially family members. At the same time, there are those who have marched in protest against war - and they too have that right. We, at Fort Huachuca even have "our own" daily protestor at the main gate - as well as others who find time on weekends to hold signs at the entrances to our post. Again, I am glad they have the freedom to protest because it keeps our values balanced and - perhaps - gives us pause to think about the magnitude of the enterprise we may be going into soon.

Protests often help us, as a people, see a subject in a different light. In the New Testament, Jesus "protested" against the money changers and vendors using the "church" as a place of business. His whipping them with a cat-o-nine-tails helped them see the error of their ways. His action probably brought many of them to another form of communication - prayer.

Prayer transcends our "needs of the moment" and brings us to a point of transcendence where we think not only of a "higher power" in our life, but also of a "higher order" in which we care not for ourselves, but for the "other." The "other" in this case would be for the protestor to care for the soldier and the government leaders and visa versa. The "other" would be for the American public to care for the starving children of Iraq and the people, who like us, care for the welfare of their loved ones.

I am opposed to war, but even more opposed to grand scale injustice. My prayer is that those protesting the war - and in essence our military and our president - would offer a constructive solution. Waving flags make for good feelings; holding signs seem to do the same, but the crux of the matter is "taking sides" isn't the answer. The answer comes from the bended knee. In the Old Testament, it is from a position of prayer that David slays Goliath and Daniel is freed from the den of lions.

Chaplains walk daily in the paradox of war and peace. While I want "peace," I cannot fathom it "at any price." A great church leader during World War II, Reinhold Niebuhr, wrote to a pacifist who opposed military action against Hitler, "Your difficulty is that you want to try to live in history without sinning...our effort to set up the Kingdom of God on earth ends in a perverse preference for tyranny, simply because the peace of tyranny means, at least, the absence of war." Another chaplain said it this way, ...we are all opposed to war... I am in favor of diplomacy, but it takes two to make an agreement...Diplomacy does not work with bullies - I know, I have the schoolyard bruises to prove it."

Prayer is the way for us to communicate our real needs and desires for peace. My prayer is that the protestor and the protector come together as one in our nation to pray. My prayer is also that our deployed stay safe, our families cared for, our nation free and our world at true peace. Now is a time for prayer - for many things. Blessings to all.

Commander's Hotline

I'm calling in regards to changing the laws to protect the animals on post. There are many dogs out in the sun all day long without shade. I have no luck with the MPs and no luck with the vet to enforce any shade for any of the animals. If you would give me a call me to discuss the situation, I would appreciate it.

Response:

This is in response to your Commander's Hotline call regarding "dogs in the sun" on Fort Huachuca. The Directorate of Public Safety has looked into the concerns raised by you. Fort Huachuca Regulation 40-116, paragraph 11a(1)(b) states that dog owners must provide "Proper shelter (dog house) and protection from the weather. The shel-

ter must be removable and provide minimal shelter space from the elements. It must provide protection from the sun, rain, snow, wind and cold, and from any weather conditions that may occur. It must be large enough to allow the animal to enter, stand, turn around, and lie down in a natural manner. Failure to do so will result in a citation and possible impoundment of the animal(s)." If a dog owner fails to comply with these guidelines, the Military Police will respond with the appropriate action.

The MPs use this regulation as a guide to determining inhumane treatment of pets. We also consult with personnel at Veterinary Services for further guidance. Based on your description, it appears the pet owner is meeting the intent of the regulation, albeit the shelter provided may not be the best shelter for their pet, the basic necessities appear to be

provided as prescribed in the regulation. Bear in mind what is considered humane by one person may not be the same for another. Hence the regulation cannot cover every circumstance, but is intended to ensure basic necessities are provided. Nevertheless, we will have Veterinary Service's personnel visit the owner and provide educational advice on the proper care of pets. Many times it is not a matter of pet owner's intending to abuse a pet, it is simply a matter of education and expert advice. We hope the above information addresses your concerns.

Thank you for your concerns for the total health and welfare of our community. We appreciate your concern in taking the time to call this matter to our attention.

Jim Chambers Deputy Garrison Commander

Who is your favorite African American

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My favorite book is Langston Hughes. I the 'Autobiography of Malcolm X' by Alex Haley. To me it shows that you can his words. go through 1st. Sgt. Kevrain Ford, struggles and come

Staff Sgt. Derrick Kinson, **Headquarters Company** 306th Military Intelligence

out stronger.



admire his style of writing. He could paint pictures with

> **18th Military Police Detachment**

I admire the work of abolitionist Frederick Douglass. His public

and private writings contributed greatly to the school of thought that led to the eventual freedom of African Americans and the equality of women.

> Capt. Chet Delf, company commander, **United States Army** Garrison

author, book or literary figure?

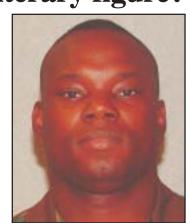


I love Alice Walker. She writes with passion and humor. Melissa Collins, waitress, La Hacienda



I love Langston Hughes; especially 'Hold Fast to Dreams, For if Dreams Die, Life is a Broken Winged Bird that Cannot Fly.

Sgt. 1st Class Suzanne Harvey, Headquarters 306th Military Intelligence **Battalion**



Photos by Staff Sgt. Sharron Stewart

I like the works of Maya Angelou. Her writings are based on life experience.

Sgt. 1st Class Carlos Magwood, Company E, 305th Military Intelligence **Battalion**

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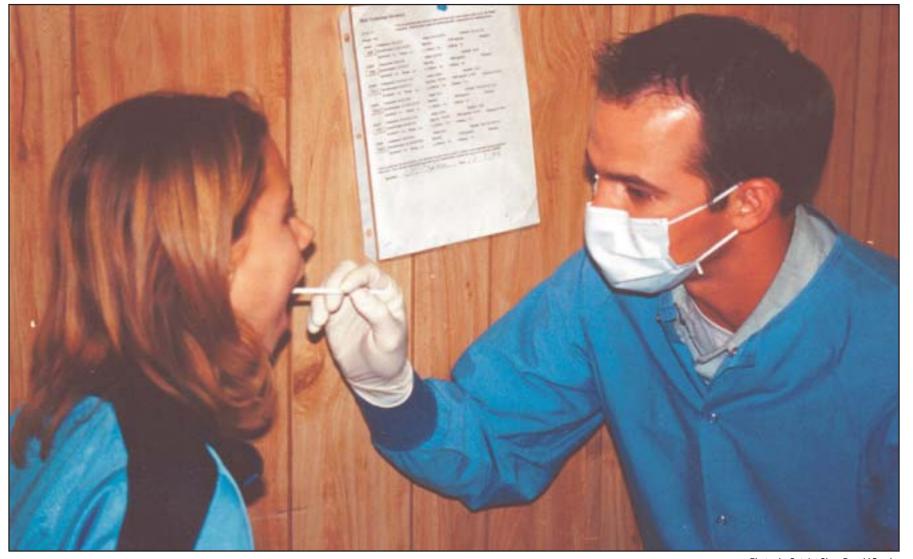
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Capt. Justin Bordlemay, dentist, examines Crystal Gonser's teeth as part of National Children's Dental Health month. Dental officers from Runion Dental Clinic provided screening and exams for students at all Fort Huachuca schools.

'Don't be a yuck mouth'

National Children's Dental Health month teach good dental hygiene habits early

BY SGT. 1ST CLASS DONALD SPARKS NCOIC, USAIC&FH PAO

When Capt. Justin Bordlemay entered the classroom at Myers Elementary School, there were several pairs of nervous eyes staring at him. Whispers abound, it was well known who this man was.

Bordlemay kept a calm disposition and a smile on his face prior to giving a warm salutation, "Why is brushing your teeth important?"

Suddenly all the hands in the classroom rose towards the ceiling as the students eagerly waited to answer the classroom guest.

Resembling Mr. Rogers as he took off his black sweater and placed on his blue smock, Bordlemay assigned to Runion Dental Clinic, continued to query the students' dental

As part of observing National Children's Dental Health Month, dentists and dental assistants at Runion Dental Clinic went to the fort's schools last week to perform free screening and examinations.

Describing the chance to see children as a gratifying experience,

Bordlemay was all smiles as the students lined up one by one to open their mouths wide.

"Seeing the kids smile just feels good, because we don't see kids in our clinic," he said. "It's a change from what we do everyday. And some of these kids have never seen a dentist before. We try to ease the kids the best we can because that fear of dentists is passed down by the parents."

He said two weeks prior to the event he called the Crest Dental Program to solicit items such as coloring books, posters and other items of interest for the children.

He explained the fort's program to a representative over the telephone and after nearly two weeks passed, he'd yet to hear any word of support and was ready to give up.

"The day before we were going to go to the schools, we had twelve boxes show up at the dental clinic," Bordlemay said. "It was like Christmas. We were so excited that Crest donated all of the items and it's nice to give the kids a nice gift."

Crest provided hundreds of coloring books, pamphlets, games and most surprisingly - mechanical tooth-

brushes

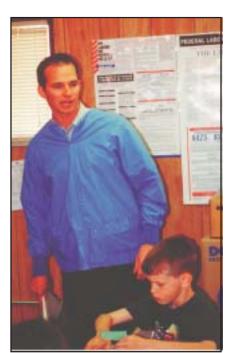
According to Alyle Tordsen, Meyer School nurse, the dental care program and the service provided by the Runion staff was wonderful.

"These kids are very impressionable and their habits are developed early," Tordsen said. "So many are eating candy, sweets and drinking soda, therefore it is important to start them brushing their teeth and get those good dental habits."

Bordlemay expressed the importance of parents taking their children to the dentist for semi-annual checkups.

"Parents need to make sure their children are brushing at least twice a day," he said. "And not just for two seconds, but an extended period of time. I know it's tough, because they just want to run in and run out of the bathroom, because when they do grow up, oral hygiene and oral health care is very important."

Prior to receiving her dental exam, 10-year-old Denise Furfuimaono allowed several of her classmates to skip her hoping she'd be one of the last one students Bordlemay to exam.



Bordlemay explained the importance of brushing teeth twice daily to students at Meyer Elementary School.

"I knew I had a cavity, so I was scared to see him," she said. "I'm going to eat less candy now so I don't get anymore."

The annual observance of children's dental health began as a one-day event in Cleveland on Feb. 3, 1941. During that year, Feb. 3-7 was designated as Children's Dental Health Week in Akron, Ohio.

Since 1941, the observance has grown from a two-city event into a nationwide program.



New tax break for teachers

LEGAL ASSITANCE OFFICE RELEASE

Under a new tax rule for 2002, "eligible educators" may deduct up to \$250 in qualified expenses from taxable income, regardless of whether they itemize deductions or take the standard deduction.

Previously, such expenses were deductible only if an educator itemized deductions.

For the purposes of this deduction, an "eligible educator" is a kindergarten through twelfth grade teacher, instructor, counselor, principal, or aide, who worked at least 900 hours during a school year in a school that provides elementary or secondary education (as determined by state law).

Qualified expenses are *unreimbursed* expenses paid or incurred for books, supplies, computer equipment and other equipment and supplementary materials that the educator uses for the classroom.

For classes in physical and health education, expenses for supplies are deductible under this rule only if they are related to athletics.

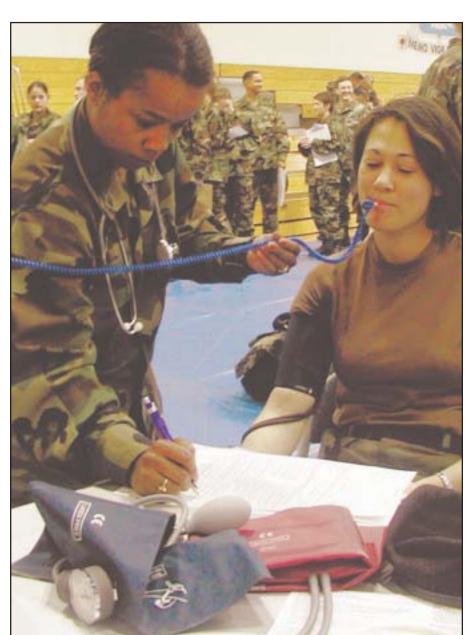
For questions as to whether or not you are eligible for this "above the line" deduction, call the Fort Huachuca Tax Center.

The Tax Center is available Monday to Friday from 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. The Tax Center can file taxes electronically and answer tax questions for all eligible active duty soldiers, dependents and retirees.

To avoid any complications with electronic returns the last day to e-file is April 7, although the Tax Center will prepare paper returns until April 15.

The Tax Center is located in De Rosy Cabell Hall, Building 22324 on Christy Avenue across from the Installation Self Help Center. Call 533-1314.

Fort's blood donations help Red Cross, Department of Defense



Photos by Nell Drumheller

BYNELLDRUMHELLER SCOUT STAFF

When asked to step up and volunteer there is seldom a more willing group than the United States military. Last week nearly 300 units of blood flowed from the veins of Fort Huachuca soldiers and civilians in a blood drive at Eifler Gym.

Typically the majority of the blood donated on fort goes directly to the Red Cross, however, in this time of possible war the Department of Defense is also gathering blood, according to Gail Slavin, co-chairperson for



the fort's blood drive efforts.

In January the Armed Services Blood Program Office has asked the military to withdraw all frozen blood supplies donated during last summer's West Nile virus epidemic to avoid transmitting the potentially fatal disease to recipients.

Meanwhile, blood collection centers and blood plasma manufacturers have been hurrying to replace military stockpiles as a potential war looms in Iraq.

Each year the fort's population, which runs the gamut from military to civilians, family members and retirees, donate hundreds of units of blood. There are many restrictions on donating blood, according to Slavin, including having spent three or months in the United Kingdom or more than six months in Europe in the past 20 years.

With the many military assignments in these areas, a large group of seasoned military members are unable to donate. Slavin and fellow co-chairperson Lori Flynn work hard to coordinate the drives. "These are my kids," Slavin said, pointing to the gym packed with young men and women in uniform. "This is the way I give."

Last week's blood drive was the first involving a team from the William Beaumont Medical Center, Fort Bliss, Texas. Twenty-seven soldiers came to Arizona from Texas for the blood drive.

"There will be more of these drives in the future," Slavin said, of the cooperation between Fort Bliss and Fort Huachuca.

Far left: Staff Sgt. Michele Williams-Buckner of the Ft. Bliss Army Hospital examines Spec. Ramona Espinosa, Company D, 309th Military Intelligence Battalion, moments before Espinosa donates blood. Left: No blood drive is complete without cookies as Staff Sgt. Kirk Ingemar, Company E, 309th MI Bn. replenishes his body during the required rest period after donating blood.

A soldier's life

Fort Huachuca 1878

BYNELLDRUMHELLER SCOUT STAFF

Peter Jones, a private in the U.S. Calvary, shuddered as the wind whipped through the tent flap and found its way under his woolen blanket. It is cold. Though barely daylight, the first call for reveille has broken the morning air and the A tent where he is quartered did little to hold out the

Camp Huachuca is a little more than a year old, having been settled the previous March in a grove against the mountains. The mountains offer protection to the west; there is ample water and trees, grazing for the animals and at the raised elevation a good view of the valley.

Peter, a youth of 19, joined the Calvary the month before after traveling west with his brothers in search of adventure. The brothers, Caleb and Hiram were prospecting for gold in California, but the younger Jones liked the flash of the uniforms and sabers and signed up when they came across Camp Huachuca.

Reveille sounds again, just 10 minutes after the first call. Peter reluctantly climbs from his bedroll and scurries to pull on trousers over his flannel drawers, dancing from foot to foot to warm his feet he grabs his boots.

Turning them upside down to make sure they are empty, he sits quickly on his cot and wrenches first his right and then left foot into the boots. He has five minutes since the last bugle blast to report for assembly and on this cold March morning he is cutting it close.

Two days before a fellow soldier had died in the hospital tent. Today the Post Council will meet and decide the distribution of his effects. Peter has a couple of dollars saved and hopes to increase his personal belongings at the auction later that day.

Though in a remote location, and living in tents with only a couple of permanent structures, Camp Huachuca is a good representation of the U.S. Calvary. Proper discipline is maintained; uniforms are expected to be in good order.

Along with the other seven new recruits, Peter knew a good part of this day would be devoted to drilling. The more seasoned soldiers did not drill, but were busy scouting, hunting, maintaining the facilities and assisting the officers of the Camp.

Once outside Peter hurries to his place in formation with his fellow soldiers, still somewhat amazed that he is now in the Calvary and the decisions he made. In the evenings after Retreat he often listens to stories around the wood heat stove.

The story of the miraculous escape of Private Teal from the Apaches back in '62. How he had fought off nearly 20 warriors, catching them by surprise with the ferociousness of his breech-loading carbine. And how after dark he had been able to remove his saddle, bridle and blanket off of his dead horse, and sneak off into the blackness making his way back to his troop.

Other soldiers recognized the bravery of the act of the private at the battle of Apache Pass, but had stories of their own. Each retelling became bloodier, more heroic than the one before. Peter, the son of a storekeeper in Connecticut, was both amazed and stupefied by the acts of bravery his fellow soldiers spoke.

The highlight of each morning is Mess, even though the meal isn't always delicious, it's warm and staves off the cold. Peter is surprised at the cold in the mornings and evenings, considering how mild most of the days are. He knows that back home there would still be snow on the ground and that the pond in the town center would still be iced over.

The corporal training Peter told him that he would soon have his turn at cooking. According to rumor, each three months a different cavalryman takes over the cooking duties. The non-commissioned officers often have two or three of the recruits helping them gather and chop wood, wash dishes and prepare the food. The policy is that all enlisted men learn to cook.

Following breakfast, Peter marches around the 20 acres of the garrison ground, learning his left from his right and how to do exactly as he is told. The movement warms his feet, but his face is still cold and his hands feel numb.

Even though the local Apache Indians raid unsuspecting civilians on a regular basis, there isn't much concern they will attack the Camp. The Apache travel from place to place as required for social and survival purposes including hunting and water searches.

If they happen upon other humans in their way, they'll attack, take what they want and move on. When this happens a troop from the Camp race out in response with the intent of apprehending the Apaches before they make it to their mountain strongholds or into Mexico.

The excitement surrounding such an attack brings an energy to the young recruits, Peter anticipates when he will be on patrol, but dreads it at the same time.

Looking out from the Camp over the valley and its foreign seeming landscape Peter tries to imagine what it will be like to be in a running battle with Apaches. Many of the pursuits last for days and cover hundreds of miles. With only a few watering spots, and fewer White communities across the southern Arizona Territory, any engagement with the Apache is dangerous.

Peter's days are highly regimented, broken down in 26 separate Calls. Beginning each morning at daybreak and continuing until Taps at 9 p.m. This afternoon's auction of the personal effects of the fallen soldier will be a break from the typical

Peter eats his lunch of venison stew, barely tasting the savory meet and vegetables. The auction is set to start at precisely 1 p.m.

Bunched with nearly 60 other soldiers, Peter



Soldiers from the 9th Cavalry, affectionalely known as the Buffalo Soldiers who served on Fort Huachuca, rest in their tent after a long day scouting the Huachuca Mountains.

waits for Capt. William Rafferty, Commander Co. M, 6th Calvary to begin the auction. The profits will be turned over to the paymaster where they will be used for necessary supplies in the future.

Rafferty, a veteran of many a skirmish and well respected, speaks solemnly of the young soldier's demise and asks each man to bow his head in a moment's silence. Across the crowd is a mumbling of well wishes and good thoughts about the deceased. In short order a sergeant working for the paymaster, R. H. Fowler steps forward and offers the first item for auction.

Peter is startled by the immediate excitement in Camp. Life in the Arizona Territory is either painfully boring with its routine, or an adrenaline rush when encountering Apaches. There is very little amusement in Camp, and this auction, though brought about by sorrow truly is a small moment of

Before Peter can raise his hand or shout out a bid the first item, a forage cap and one pair of earflaps sells for a dollar. Eyeing the pile of items on the table behind the sergeant, Peter spies a stack of woolen blankets and eagerly waits their auction.

By the end of the auction nearly \$28 exchanges



Fort Huachuca musem photo

Early Fort Huachuca soldiers.

hands and more than 20 items sell. Peter isn't successful with his bids, but enjoys the activity. The four blankets sell for \$5. The most exotic item up for bid, two boxes of Sardines a true delicacy in this western Camp, sell for \$.75.

The auction is over by 2 p.m. with plenty of time for Peter and the other recruits to continue drilling before reporting to the Calvary stables or to the commissary sergeant. The nearest garden is nine miles away and the commissary sergeant sends recruits there often to get fresh produce. Traveling in a wagon with a guard to discourage Apache attacks the twice-weekly trip takes about two hours.

The stables are actually a shed made by the troops; here the recruits clean tack, shovel manure and assist in doctoring the horses. Nearly 30 mules are hobbled in a nearby glen; they are used as pack animals and are sturdy, stubborn and not favorites of the soldiers. They tend to bite and kick as the whim hits them.

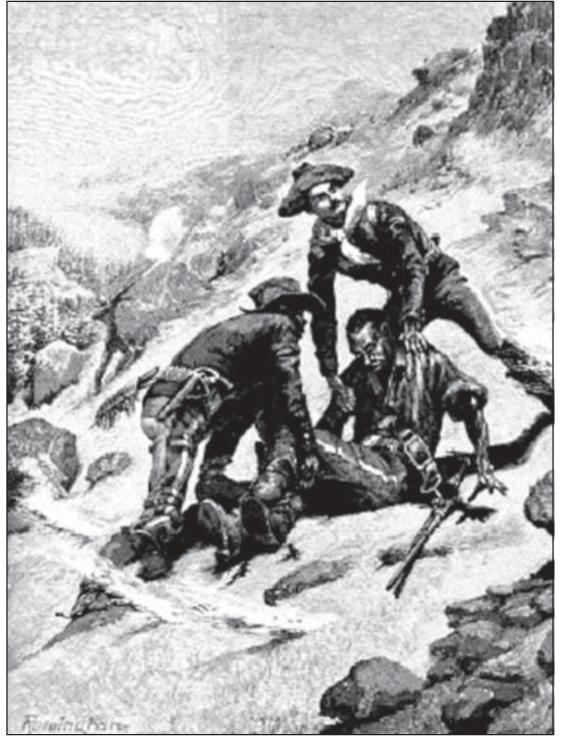
The bugle sounds for the first call for Guard Mount, telling Peter that it will be time to eat in less than half an hour. The guard contingent has an officer of the day, two non-commissioned officers and six privates. Peter knows he will have guard duty the following week and watches the formation carefully, trying to learn all he can. The duty rotates, but while on the men are out of bed every third night.

It is a Wednesday, but for Peter it could be any day of the week. Each day is much like the one before or the one after. He's heard that come spring the weather turns nice, the evenings aren't as cold. Peter wonders how long it will take before he feels he really is a cavalryman, how long it will be before he stops missing the green of Connecticut and his mother's fresh bread and pies.

Retreat is called at sunset; the sky is brilliant with color for a moment or two and then eerily dark. Peter looks forward to his bed, its scratchy woolen blanket and the sounds of the night. He passes one of the non-commissioned officers tents and listens for a moment to the grumbling of a grizzled old man complaining about how hard headed the new recruits are. In the distance one the mules bray.

Getting undressed he gets into bed, pulls up his blanket and wonders what the next day may bring.

(Editor's note: Even though this story is faction, it is based on facts of the era, including many of the military members of 1878.)





"The Rescue Of Corporal Scott" by Frederick Reminington. American artist Remington helped the resot of the U.S. understand what life in Arizona Territory was rally like.

Lt. Marion Maus and his Apache Indian Scouts. Indian Scouts were familiar with the land and aided the U.S. Calvary in daily duties.

Access national security archive

Contact Natalie Danforth, Fort Huachuca Administrative Librarian, for a password to the unclassified database of digital national security archive. Requests should be made through MS-Exchange or requests may be made in person at the Main Library Reference Desk with military or Department of Defense civilian identification card.

For an introduction to the database go to website address http:// nsarchive.chadwyck.com. Call 533-3041 for further information.

Baggage check

As of Feb. 14 X-Ray machines are still not in place at Tucson International Airport. If you have sensitive or For Offical Use Only information, it would be best to hand carry it with you to preclude it from being checked by the screeners prior to being placed on the airplane. Call information security at 538-6506 for more information.

Blue Cross, Shield representative

A representative for the Arizona Blue Cross/Blue Shield will be available to answer your questions pertaining to health insurance benefits April 15 from 11 a.m.- 1 p.m. in Room 3 at the Murr Community Center. If you have any questions regarding this event, call Eva Dixon at CPAC, at 533-5735 or Linda Shelman at CPAC, at 533-5273.

USAWOA luncheon

The United States Army Warrant Officer of America, Arizona Silver Chapter, will be conducting its Monthly Professional Development luncheon Friday at the Boots and Saddles Room of La Hacienda at 11:30 a.m. There will be two guest speakers from Anteon Corporation; Larry White (Senior Group Manager for the West Region) and Jeff Sallee (Site Manager for Constructive Training Devices) speaking about the transition to the civilian world.

USAWOA welcomes all active, guard, reserve or retired Army warrant officers, their spouses and guests. You do not have to be a current USAWOA member to attend. For more information contact Warrant Officer Wilmer Acevedo at 538-6842 or email waceved@msn.com.

AKO email address

Due to the extreme high volume of responses concerning the implementation of Army Knowledge Online e-mail addresses, they are being implemented today rather than tommorrow.

The change will allow users currently still in the process of applying for an account to

forward the information to us.

If you are having problems applying for an AKO account, or are experiencing problems with your AKO account, please contact the AKO Help Desk at DSN - 654-3791 or commercial - 1(877)AKO-USER (1-877-256-8737). There is also an online Frequently Answered Questions site that can be accessed by going to the AKO web site and clicking on the help button. All AKO technical assistance is done through the AKO Help Desk and not locally.

Please note: If users do NOT have an AKO e-mail address, we must be made aware of this, and users can be made aware of this by replying to this e-mail message. If users are unsure whether or not they possess an AKO account, or if you have never went online to the AKO web site to apply for an account, you probably do not have one. If you still need to apply for an AKO account, you may do so by accessing the following web site: https://www.us.army.mil/ portal/portal_home.jhtml.

If you are experiencing e-mail delivery problems as a result of the update, submit a T1, T1A, T2

Sunday - AG, AL, AW, T1, T1A, T2 Monday - AB, AL, AM, AN, AR, T1A,

Tuesday - AB, AL, AM, AN, T1, T1A,

Wednesday - AM, AN, AW, T1, T1A,

For more information on range closures contact the Range Control 533-7095.

Warrant officer recruiting

A Warrant Officer Recruiting Team from Headquarters, U.S. Army Recruiting Command, Fort Knox, Ky. will brief on qualifications and application procedures to service members interested in becoming U.S. Army Warrant Officers.

The briefing schedule is March 6 at 9:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m. and 6 p.m.; March 7 at 9:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m at the Murr Community Center.

The program is open to all services and the recruiting team is seeking applicants for both the Warrant Officer Technician and Aviator programs. More information can be listed force and who believed "if you educate the NCO you educate the soldiers they

The Strickland Educational Leadership Award will be awarded on an annual basis to an noncommissioned officer who exemplifies the Army's vision and mobilizes others in shaping our future leaders while practicing excellent stewardship of the nation's most precious resource. More information, as it becomes available, will be placed on the AUSA website at www.ausa.org.

During the interim, contributions to the memorial fund may be made to "AUSA/The Larry Strickland Memorial Fund" and mailed to Command Sgt. Maj. (ret.) Jimmie W. Spencer, 2425 Wilson Blvd, Arlington VA 22201. Spencer will send all contributors a receipt.

SEPC lunch workshop

The Special Emphasis Program Committee is sponsoring a lunch and learn workshop on "Polishing Your Presentations and Briefs" March 7 at 11:30 - 1 p.m. at the La Hacienda. Cost will be \$7.50 which will include a buffet and salad bar.

If you plan to attend, please contact the EEO Office at 538-0276; seating is limited to 40 spaces. The guest instructor for this workshop will be Mike Leiboff, retired communication professor. Civilian and military personnel are invited to attend. Due to limited seating make your reservations.

Recycling materials change

Effective Saturday Sierra Huachuca Association of Recycling Center will no longer be picking up recycled materials from Fort Huachuca. This will affect all cardboard recycling bins, recycling bins placed around post for use by family housing occupants, or individual organizations/tenants who periodically call SHARC to have recycled materials picked up at their office/building.

The last pickup date for Fort Huachuca is Friday. The Directorate of Installation Support is in the process of researching and implementing new procedures for recycling materials. For all users who are currently using the recycling program with SHARC, call 533-1442 or email aurelia.myers@hua.army.mil and provide a point of contact, phone number, and building number to Rea Myers.

Buena Booster Club

The Buena Booster Club is having a special meeting Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the Lecture Pod at Buena High School. This meeting is to nominate new officers for next year and get more volunteers. We would like to see more parents of 8th graders through - 10th graders participate.

Call Nina Sanchez at 533-5010 for more information.

Saturday

Interpretive Walk begins at 8:30 a.m. Call 459-2555 for info * Youth Services at Bldg. 49013

p.m. Call 533-3205 for info * Rollin' Thunder Skate Park is open 1 - 6 p.m. Call 533-3205 for

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nformation. Open to the public

* SV Hospital Foundation & SV Regional Health Center Auxil-

iary-Candlelight Ball. Casino

games, dinner, dancing, silent auction & great entertainment

LakeSide Activity Centre. Call 378-0349 for info

* Youth Services at Bldg. 49013 has open recreation from 1 - 8

* Rollin' Thunder Skate Park is open 1 - 6 p.m. Call 533-3205

for information. Open to the public. * 40th Sig Bn Pool Party at the

Cove. This event is free to fam-

* Buena Drama production of "Scapino" at Buena HS Per-

ilv & soldiers of the 40th.

p.m. Call 533-3205 for info

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Policy memorandum changes public E-mail messages rules

A new garrison policy memorandum significantly changes the rules for Public Service Announcements (commonly known as All-User messages). An absence of clear guidance created a flagrant misuse of the E-mail system. As a result, many users elected to delete them without ever having read them. Messages critical to Fort Huachuca operations were being deleted without ever having been read. The new policy memorandum:

Provides clear and specific guidance for the PSAs, restricting their usage to disseminate command information and announce emergencies or system outages (electrical, water, telephone, computer, and computer networks.)

Directs users to take advantage of existing services, such as the Huachuca Scout, Weekly Bulletin, and the Fort Huachuca Intranet to announce and disseminate routine information to the Fort Huachuca work force. Basic instructions for obtaining those services are included in the policy memorandum.

Sets the approving authority for PSAs to the Chief, Data Networks Division, Directorate of Information Management.

The memorandum became effective Februry 18, 2003 and is available on the Fort Huachuca home page http://huachuca-www.army.mil/PUBSFORM/PUBS/Policymemos/ Policymemos.htm. Then select the link (near the bottom of the page) for the memorandum.)

trouble ticket to the Directorate of Installation Management help desk at 533-1111.

Range closures

These are the range closures for today through Wednesday

Thursday - East Range, AA, AC, AD, AL, AM, AV, T1, T1A, T2

Friday - East Range, AA, AC, AD, AG, AL, AM, AU, AW, T1, T1A, T2

Saturday - AB, AG, AI, AL, AM, AW,

found on the internet www.usarec.army.mil/hq/warrant or e-mail Troy.Davis2@usarec.army.mil.

Memorial fund

The Association of the United States Army will be administering a memorial fund and education scholarship award program to honor the memory of Sgt. Maj. Larry L. Strickland, a victim of the September 11attack on the Pentagon. Strickland was an outstanding active duty soldier who cared deeply about mentoring members of the en-

Sunday

Monday

Wednesday

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* Subject Matter Expert AFAP **27** Training at MCC from 9 a.m. Call Karla at 533-3686 for inform

National Association of Retired Em ployees Chapter 1400 meets at 11a.m at OYCC. Call 378-6605 for details * Huachuca Area Retired Teachers

Association meets at OYCC at 10 Early Release for Fort Huachuca Schools. Myer,-Kindergarten @ 1:20 p.m. Grades 4 &5 @ 1:30p.m

Johnston, grades 1 - 3 @ 1:15 p.m and Smith, Grades 6-8 @ 1:40 p.m Delegate AFAP Training at MC0 from 6:30 p.m. Call Karla at 533-3686 for information.

6 * SV Optimist Club meets at 6:30 a.m. at the Landmark Café. Call Robert Atkinson at 459-2711 * National Association of Retired Employees Chapter 1400 meets at 11a.m. at OYCC. Call 378-6605 for details Huachuca Area Retired Teach

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forming Arts Center beginning at 7 p.m. Call 515-2820 for info.

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* Rollin' Thunder Skate Park 28 5 - 9 p.m. for teens only. Call

533-3205 for information. Oper

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vices, Bldg. 49013 from 6:30 -8:30 p.m. Call 533-3205 for de-

Huachuca Astronomy Club

Public Star Party. View through member's telescopes or bring

vour own. Junk Bond Observa

tory, Hereford at 7 p.m. Call 366-5788 for details and directions.

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* SV Youth Center is sponsoring a Groovy Green game day from 1 - 4 p.m. This event is free and

MCC = Murr Community Center

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MPC = Main Post Chapel

OYCC = Oscar Yrun Community Center

Community Events Calendar To add items to the calendar, call the Central Community Coordinator at 533-6870. * SV Optimist Club meets at 6:30 a.m at the Landmark Café. Call Rober Atkinson at 459-2711 Army Family Action Plan (AFAP) Conference at Main Post Chapel March 11-13. Call 533-3686 to be a delegate.



Friends of the San Pedro

Bird Walk departs at 8:30 a.m. from

the Hereford Road bridge. Call 459-2555 for info.

The 36th Army Band will preser

a "Dixieland Afternoon" at the Ethel Berger Center at 3 p.m. This event

is free and open to the public.

San Pedro Kiwanis meets at noon in the Crystal Room of Thunder Mountain Inn. Contact Nilda Townsend at 458-9647. * Thunder Mountain Bridge Club meets at 12:30 p.m. at Thunder Mountain Inn. Call Dianna Smith

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The Air Force Jazz Band will be

at Buena H.S. Performing Arts Center at 7 p.m. Call 417-6960 for

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* Rickety Rockettes meets at OYCC at 10 a.m. National Association of Retired Cochise Toastmasters meets a Landmark Café from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Call Toni Reeves at 538-7502 Cochise Chordsmei (SPERSQA) meets at SV Meth

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* La Salida Del Sol Lions meet at Thunder Mountain Inn at 6:45 a.m. Call Lee at 378-1399 for Piper Pizza at 7 p.m.

SV Chess Club meets at Peter

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* La Salida Del Sol Lions meet at Thunder Mountain Inn at 6:45 a.m. Call Lee at 378-1399 for SV Chess Club meets at Peter Piper Pizza at 7 p.m. * SV Middle School Concert begins at 7 p.m. at the Buena H.S. Performing Arts Center

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Bldg. 49013 from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m Call 533-3205 for details

Saint Patrick's Day Parade. Dress in green and join others waving shamrocks parad ing down Fry Blvd.

* Youth Services at Bldg. 49013 p.m. Call 533-3205 for info.

open to all 11 -17 years olds.

Army Family Team Building classes and information at Murr Community Center, 533-3686 or 533-2330



Two doctors join **MEDDAC** team

In an effort to better serve our local community, Raymond W. Bliss Army Health Center has recently hired two additional Family Practice doctors.

Dr. Suzette Avetian is now seeing patients, and the second doctor should be in place by the middle of March.

By hiring DoD civilians, as opposed to bringing in additional military doctors, our patient population will realize an increase in their continuity of care. Additionally, as these new doctors will not be required to deploy or participate in many of the military requirements endured by Army physicians, patients will have a greater access to care and available appointments.

will be necessary to re-assign a portion of the beneficiaries to other providers to equally distribute them. Therefore, a number of patients will receive notification by mail if they are affected by this redistribu-

Please be patient with us during this redistribution of beneficiaries. We are pleased to be able to make more providers available, however, we aware that not everyone will be pleased with the change.

A formal request for PCM change may be processed through the TRIWEST service center located on the first floor of the Health Center.

Patient Safety Week scheduled March 9-15

Raymond W. Bliss Army Health Center In order to facilitate this process, it will emphasize its commitment to patient

safety by observing Patient Safety Awareness Week March 9-15.

The theme is "Communication and Partnership: Safety starts with all of us."

The purpose of Patient Safety Awareness Week is to nurture a true partnership between patients, families, and healthcare professionals in order to enhance patient safety and reduce the incidence of medical errors. Everyone has an important role to

"One of the key points we will try to make during Patient Safety Awareness Week is that patients can and should participate as active, vital members of the healthcare team," said Col. Nancy Woolnough, deputy commander for Nurs-

Lt. Col. Richard Beitz, deputy commander for Clinical Services added, "It is the right of patients to be actively engaged in their care; to fully understand the treatment they are receiving and to have all of their questions answered and their concerns addressed. We are proud to be involved in this effort."

For more information about RWBAHC's observance of Patient Safety Awareness Week, please contact Ms. Selina Jeanise, at 533-5668 or Ms. Sherron Gordon at 533-

Nutrition highlighted in March at hospital

Ms. Selina Jeanise, director of the Health Education and Resource Center at the Raymond W. Bliss Army Health Center announced March will be "Nutrition Month." Jeanise can assist military and their families in understanding how important nutrition is to day-to-day health. For more inforantion contact Jeanise at 533-5668.

Child support changes may result in financial issues for Guard and Reserve soldiers in uniform

SPECIAL TO THE AMERICAN FORCES PRESS SERVICE

Guard and Reserve members who have child support obligations and whose civilian income is larger than their military one should review their rights before they get orders.

The Defense Finance and Accounting Service's Garnishment Operations Directorate has been working with the Federal Office of Child Support Enforcement to address child support payment issues related to activated reservists.

One scenario of concern, said Rod Winn, director of garnishment operations, is a reservist whose child support order is based on civilian income and doesn't take into ac-

count a possible loss of income caused by military activation.

Neither the obligation nor the payment due is affected automatically by military service except as the support order may state. Reservists who need relief have to ask for a review and modification of the child support obligation from their appropriate state child support agency, he said.

For more information, he said, visit Web sites: State child support enforcement agencies gateways at http://www.acf.hhs.gov/ programs/cse/extinf.htm#exta.

Federal Office of Child Support Enforcement Information Memorandum (IM)-01-09 at http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/cse/ pol/im-01-09.htm.

Department of Defense guidance, pro-

vided under "Family Law Matters" at the secure Web site operated by the Army Judge Advocate General's Office at https:/ /www.jagcnet.army.mil/Legal.

"This issue can have serious conse-



quences for the reserve military member and dependent children relying on the support," Winn said. "All reservists with support obligations are urged to review the garnishment guidelines."

AT&T Soldier of the **Year competition** announced

Nominations are being accepted for the third annual Army Times "Soldier of the Year" Award, presented by AT&T through March 14.

The award is designed to recognize the special soldier who has shown unusual or heretofore unrecognized honor, valor and dedication to fellow soldiers and the community during 2002. Army Times will honor this "everyday hero" of the U.S. Army, one whose efforts unselfishly and consistently go above and beyond the call of duty, at a ceremony on Capital Hill in May.

Candidates can be nominated by going to www.armytimes.com/soldier.

See The Scout in color on the web at huachuca-www.army.mil/USAG/PAO!

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effective and equitable management installation. Other than that, it's busiof Army installations worldwide.

Despite falling under the IMA umbrella, Voss mentioned the everyassigned to USAG would remain the

"Very little at the worker bee level has changed," Voss said. "The major changes are at the executive level of leadership at the installation."

Those changes, Voss added, "Include how much funds are allocated directly from IMA to garrison commanders so they can better interact with the tenant organizations on the ness as usual for the garrison."

Also critically important is the agency's support of environmental day role and mission of the soldiers programs, construction, morale and welfare, family care, force protection, logistics and public works.

IMA became effective Oct. 1, 2002, and is headquartered, in Arlington, Va. There are seven regional offices, four in the continental U.S. and three overseas.

During fiscal 2003, the former Major Command's workforce will remain in its current locations, shifting focus to support IMA regional offices.



IMA Distinctive Unit Insignia

Funds will be fenced and major nizational document. commands will serve as "bankers" the operational control of the regional directors.

Garrisons will remain on MACOM organizational documents during fiscal 2003.

Garrison commanders will be rated by the respective IMA regional director and senior-rated by the commanding general over the installa-

In fiscal 2004, IMA headquarters will fund garrisons directly and garrisons will be moved to the IMA orga-

By fiscal 2005, the redesign of for IMA installation resources under IMA business processes will be completed and regions will be staffed with end-state authorizations.

The seven regional offices, located at Fort Monroe, Va.; Fort McPherson, Ga.; Rock Island Arsenal, Ill.; Fort Sam Houston, Texas; Heidelberg, Germany; Fort Shafter, Hawaii; and Seoul, Korea, are geographically aligned with installations to execute management programs, seek regional efficiencies, and enforce Armywide standards at installations.

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- The soldier has already shipped household goods in preparation for transition from service.
- The soldier is already impacted by an earlier stop-loss measure, in which case the earlier 12-month measure will be used to determine when the soldier can volunteer for separation.

The Army Personnel Command remains the Stop-Loss exception-to-policy authority for soldiers with compassionate or other compelling reasons to separate, officials said.

Stop-Loss does not prohibit commanders from moving forward on involuntary separations, they said.

Stop-Move, the suspension of PCS moves, was also announced in December for AC units already deployed or alerted for deployment into the U.S. Central Command area of responsibility.

Because the Stop-Move policy will keep many soldiers from moving from their current unit to their next assignment in Korea, the Army is extending the tours of soldiers currently assigned in Korea by 90 days.

This measure has been approved by DoD, officials said, and affected soldiers in Korea have been notified of their extension by the chain of command.

"When we were working Stop-Move, we saw there was going to be a delta between what Korea needs in the way of manning and what the measure was going to do to soldiers on orders for Korea," said Col. Bob Ortiz, chief of Enlisted Distribution & maintain personnel readiness." Readiness for the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff, G-1. "Involuntary foreignservice tour extensions for Korea make up the difference between the number of soldiers no longer available to PCS to Korea under Stop-Move and what Korea needs to

MILPER message 03-93 states the extensions can be up to 180 days, but Ortiz said that review of current needs in Korea revised that figure to just 90 days.

(Editor's note: Staff Sgt. Marcia Triggs contributed to this article.)



The Army's latest Stop-Loss measure is targeted for selected units, such as the 11th Signal Brigade, that have already deployed or have been alerted for deployment into the U.S. Central Command area of responsibility and extends tour of duty to soldiers in Korea for 90 days.

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The series started filming in April 2002 and wrapped in October. At one point 16, three-man crews were working around the world. In addition to covering members of the 3rd and 19th Special Forces groups in Afghanistan, the teams also videotaped members of the 82nd Airborne Division as they deployed to Central Asia.

They also caught sailors of the cruiser USS Hue City during maritime intercept operations in the Arabian Sea, submariners of the USS Salt Lake City, carrier operations aboard the USS John F. Kennedy, medics at various hospitals, and food service specialists.

Ogilvie said servicemembers tell their own stories. While the producers put some images to music, no scripts or narrations were used in the series.

"This program highlights the dedication, professionalism and patriotism of the men and women of the armed forces," he said.

Some critics have hammered the show because it highlights patriotism, Ogilvie noted, but they're out of line in his opinion. "There is nothing fake about the patriotism of the American military," he said. "The program shows patriotism because these men and women are patri-

The Defense Department provided transportation to the film crews and technical advice to the producers. Defense officials worked with the crews to protect operational security.

While some parts of the show may make senior leaders wince, they're slices of the real military, department officials said.

Army exceeds CFC goal, more than \$2.8 million collected

BY ADRIAN CRUZ

ARMY NEWS SERVICE

Soldiers and Army employees here responded generously to the Combined Federal Campaign this past year, by pledging more than \$2.8 million to charitable organizations around the world.

The goal for the Army's National Capital Region campaign was \$2.64 million, and that was exceeded by \$184,552.

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paign coordinator 1st Lt. Tricia Kelley, Fort

Huachuca contributed more than \$350,000

to last year's drive.

According to Combined Federal Cam-

More than \$12 million in CFC contributions were pledged by Department of Defense personnel worldwide. (CFC officials said exact Army totals worldwide have not been calculated.) Total CFC contributions from all government agencies exceeded \$27 million.

"The CFC at its heart is a grassroots charity effort," said Thomas Campbell, voluntary CFC program manager for Department of the

tion for making the campaign a success de-

give," Kelley said. "And when every per-

son who does that it eventually add to a lot.

Every little bit helped us to get where we

"Many people gave what they could

spite the tough economy.

The CFC allows federal employees a simple, efficient method by which they can invest in their communities and enrich the lives of others, he said.

"The Department of the Army strongly supports charitable giving," said Campbell. "The Secretary of the Army has been a strong supporter of charitable giving in general, especially when it comes to the CFC," said Campbell.

The national campaign typically kicks off in September and runs through the end of De-

The Army requested a 30-day extension of the traditional December deadline to allow processing of late-flowing contributions.

In military communities across the country and overseas, Army volunteers act as agency administrators, loan executives, campaign managers, key workers, and perform many of the other necessary functions that are vital to a successful campaign, Campbell said.

The key workers are the volunteers who collect pledge cards and donations from employees in their individual unit sections, Campbell explained.

"They are the foot soldiers of the campaign," said Campbell. "They're all volunteers, they do a great job and we make sure that we recognize their efforts at the end of the campaign."

As Campaign Manager, Campbell makes weekly deposits of all funds collected and forwards reports and receipts to the Principal Combined Fund Organization that manages the campaign and serves as fiscal agent.

Each Army organization's collection efforts are reviewed weekly and reported to the Army's senior leadership, Campbell said.

The average individual gift in the National Capital Region in the 2002 campaign was \$296, compared to the \$272 average in 2001, said Clarence Hardy, National Capital Area CFC executive director.

"Against the backdrop of a sagging economy, the number of individual donations have declined slightly, however the average gift to the campaign continues to increase," said

"We've raised about as much money as we did in 2001 even though fewer people are giving, those few are just giving more," said Hardy.

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While government-wide participation in CFC may have dropped slightly Army participation within the NCR remained steady, Campbell said.

About 56.2 percent of all Army personnel here contributed to the campaign, and that compares to about 56 percent the year before.

Fundraising by employees in the federal workplace can be traced back to the 1940s and 50s, however formal authority was established by President John F. Kennedy in 1961.

Kennedy authorized the United States Civil Service Commission to develop guidelines to regulate fundraising and the solicitation of federal employees in the workplace.

Kennedy sought to bring the diversity of fundraising efforts under one umbrella, by establishing one campaign, conducted once a year.

CFC allows employees to choose a charity from a single catalog and make contributions through payroll deductions and is considered the most cost-effective method to raise funds for charity.

The campaign is the only authorized charitable workplace-fundraising effort for federal employees, both civilian and military. Administrative costs are firmly regulated so most of what is collected reaches the designated groups, officials said.

The CFC has been around for four decades. Each year, thousands of charities apply to participate. Only those that meet strict standards of eligibility are admitted, CFC officials said.

CFC is the largest and most successful workplace fundraising model in the world, officials said.



Fort Huachuca contributes more than \$350K

to Combined Federal Campaign's pot

1st Lt. Tricia Kelley stands before the Fort Huachuca Combined Federal Campaign display in December after the campaign came to a close.

Smith News

Knowledge Bowl at Benson

Congratulations to the Smith Middle School A Team for taking First Place in the Knowledge Bowl meet in Benson on February 25! This team has won every competition during this school year. The members of the A Team are Jessie Clemmer, Andrew Crossman, Van Hollenbeck, Daniel Lawless, Mary Lawless, and Shaun O'Keefe.

The B Team showed great teamwork and came in Fourth Place. The members of the B Team are Fernando Calderon, Shaun Huntley, Kate Kosowiec, Evan Lake, Nicole Lesieur, Rachael Price, Brian Serrano, and Jocelyn Willis.

We are again very proud of both Smith Middle School teams. It is a pleasure to work with such enthusiastic and motivated pupils. We also want to thank our parent chaperone, Mrs. O'Keefe, for accompanying us on this trip.

Congratulations to Van Hollenbeck. Van is the winner of the National Geographic Society's National Geography Bee. The 8th grade finalists were Lin McCollum, Jon Moseley, Shelby Parson, Paul Sizemore, Leah Taylor, Matt Main, Charlotte Meador, Nancy Bray, Tempestt Wilson, and, of course, Van. The pupils competed in the Final Round until only two students, Jon Moseley and Van, made it through to the Championship Round. Both pupils battled back and forth, each coming up with the right answers on some unbelievably difficult questions, but finally Van prevailed. As the winner, he then took the Bee's written test which is sent into the Society for scoring to see if he qualifies for the State Bee. Van and Smith Middle School will be notified some time in late February, and we wish him the best of luck.

Smith Opens New Lab

Smith Middle School boasts an additional computer lab opened this month. Work began over the winter holiday to

renovate what still remained of the old home economics room, one half of which had been previously turned into the vocational technology lab. Computers were in place by the end of January. Twentyeight new Dell 2.26 GHz Pentium 4 processors, with 256 MB of DDR SDRAM (double data rate synchronous dynamic random access



memory), the fastest processors currently on the market, are now available for classes to utilize. With DVD/CD playing capability as well as CD rewrite function, Smith students will be able to create some of the most advanced multi-media presentations available to middle school students. Lab operations will be overseen by Mrs. Ella Cowherd, an instructional assistant with a masters degree in IT. A member of the Smith staff for several years, Mrs. Cowherd is excited about putting her expertise to best practice in the new lab.

AFAP delegates discuss Quality of Life issues and more

ACS AFAP RELEASE

If you are part of the Army, you can be a participant in this year's Army Family Action Planning conference March 11-13 at the Main Post Chapel.

Soldiers (active-duty, Guard or Reserve), retirees, civilians and family members can all be part of the Fort Huachuca conference 12:30-4:30 p.m., March 11; 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., March 12; and 8-11:30 a.m., March 13.

Delegates at the 2003 Army Family Action Plan conference will have an opportunity to address many major subjects of interest to members of the military community today and have a role in making changes that will benefit the quality of life for everyone. The subject areas to be discussed during the conference are:

Consumer Services

Topics such as: Commissary, Banks, Army and Air Force Exchange Service, and Moral, Welfare and Recreation pro-

Family Support

Topics such as: Army Community Service, Family Readiness Groups, Chapels, Volunteer Program, Army Family Team Building, Army Career and Alumni Program, Consumer Affairs Financial Assistance Program, Family Advocacy Program, Adult Education and Murr Community Center.

Housing/Transportation

Topics such as: Transportation (moving families and household goods), Housing (housing office and work orders.)

Medical/Dental

Topics such as: Dental clinics, tri-Care, Exceptional Family Member Program, and Army Substance Abuse Program.

Soldier Support

Topics such as: Education Centers, Military Clothing Sales, Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers Program, Finance, Sponsorship, Military Personnel Services, In/Out Processing and Transportation for single soldiers.

Youth Services and Education

Topics such as: Schools, Youth Services, Child Development, Youth Sports and School Age Services.

Benefits and Entitlements

Topics such as: Soldiers Group Life Insurance, Cost of Living Allowance, Basic Allowance for Subsistence/Basic Allowance for Housing and Staff Judge Advocate.

Employment/Civilians

Topics such as: Civilian Personnel Office, Non Appropriated Funds Office, Contracts, Application procedures, Family Member Employment Assistance Program and Youth Employment-summer hire.

Retirement Services All topics that apply.

Reserve/National Guard All topics that apply.



Smith middle school announces winners of school science fair

8th Grade Middle School Science Fair Winners

Earth:

1st: Soil Erosion Shawn O'Keefe 2nd: Will Grass Help Stop Erosion? Shaun Huntley

Physical:

Caitlin Dodd Grand: The Best Packing Material Concerning Buoyancy Van Hollenbeck 1st: 2nd: pHiguring Out PH Emily Mohoroski

Life:

Grand: How's It Growin'? Jessie Clemmer Do You See What I See? **April Roberts** 1st: 2nd: An Apple A Day Keeps The Doctor Away....Right? Sofia Bieranowski We've Got The Beat Samantha Plate 2nd: Elise Dewey 3rd: Dirt Don't Hurt? 3rd: BackWash Charlotte Meador

7th Grade Middle School Science Fair Winners

Earth:

Honorable Mention: Forming Crystals Moniquea Waters

Physical:

1st: A Winter Bounce Tim Vasconcellos Gone Broke By Photos 2nd: Lela Cowherd Honorable Mention:

Does Darker Cloth Attract Heat Better Than Lighter Cloth? Alexis Edwards

Life:

Grand: Bad Breath or No Bad Breath Niccole Pierre The Effect of Water Salinity on Seed Germination Megan Bockbrader 1st: Wash Your Hands! **Emily Filleman** 2nd: The Effect of Soils on Plant Growth Amanda Hupp

Do the Different Types of Fertilizer Affect Plant Growth? Mary Lawless

Fernando Calderon

Honorable Mention: Rapid Ripe 6th grade Smith Middle School **Science Fair Winners**

Physical:

1st: Penny Power Nicole Holloway

OBSERVANCE from Page 1



Tureeda Mikell gives the audience two thumbs up for participating in a rap during her performance. The keynote speaker enticed the audience with her style of storytelling which combines sciences such as biology, astronomy and physics.

speaker of the event.

"She was spectacular," said Anthony Isom, president, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Greater Huachuca Area branch. "Her talent depicted the essence of Black History Month. The post outdid themselves in recognizing this observance."

Mikell, from Oakland, Calif., is widely known for her unique style of storytelling and poetry and presenting the 'spoken word.' Biology major, she blends sciences such as biology, astronomy and physics in her performances.

She mentioned she tried to think about which stories would be right to tell after agreeing to come to Fort Huachuca. During her performance she allowed the audience to participate by rapping along with a poem she'd recited.

"I wanted to share stories on the magic of culture and families," Mikell said. "I just wanted to bring stories of hope and light for our children. Storytelling is carrying on the traditions that ensures the maintenance and health of the culture."

The theme for this year's observance, "The Souls of Black Folk: Centennial Reflections," was celebrated Department of Defense wide. The theme came from W.E.B. Dubois' book of the same title, which was written 100 years ago.

The event featured conscience-stirring opening remarks by Frank Bothwell who described racism as a cancer that could lead to America's demise if people don't stomp it when they encounter it.

"Unless this cancer is eradicated from the body, the body will die," Bothwell said. "Racism is like the wind, you can't see it, but you can feel it. And most of us don't like to talk about it

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African American/Black History Month
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The audience was also entertained by a duet from by Master Sgt. Mark Brown, U.S. Army Network Enterprise Technology Command, and Jerome Gullatt, family member, who sang gospel artist Donnie McClurkin's song, "Didn't You Know."

Reciting a self-written poem, 'Why is I?,' Staff Sgt. Anika Anderson-Hack, uplifted the crowd describing the woes of a slave girl.

At the conclusion, Col. Billy Adams, NETCOM chief of staff, gave a history lesson of his own to enlighten the crowd.

He brought a jar of peanut butter and described the many innovations devised from the peanut from George Washington Carver

He also talked about former Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and current Secretary of State Colin Powell as an American hero and personal mentor.

But he challenged the audience to stamp out racism and to take a look in the mirror.

"What you see each day when you wake up goes towards the legacy you're going to leave behind," Adams said. "Make sure tomorrow is better because the hope in the future is in that legacy. How we treat others everyday is the future success of stamping out racism."



Gerri Claborne, left, and Kim Collins, are all smiles as they listen to Mikell perform a poetry recital.



Photos by Sgt. 1st Class Donald Sparks

Staff Sgt. Anika Anderson-Hack performs her self-written poem entitled 'Why Is I?,' depicting the woes of a slave girl. The theme for this year's African American/Black History Month observance is "The Souls of Black Folk:Centennial Reflections."